



YARDLEY GOBION CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



"Using the talents God gave us to achieve and shine"

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER- RIVER CLASS: Spring 2022

THEME: Homes - Children will learn about homes in the village, including exploring the different types of homes found in the village and will make maps of the village. They will explore what homes were like in the past and what homes are like around the world.

KEY EVENTS, VISITS OR VISITORS

Rita (Mrs P's St Bernard) to visit
- Date TBC
Victorian Homes Artifacts in school
from 17th January

HOME LEARNING

Children will not be given formal homework at this stage. However, we ask that all children read at least once a day at home.

Teacher to Home

Welcome back! I hope you all had a pleasant Christmas, my hopes for a more stable term with fewer absences has already been dashed, with my own absence! But I am itching to get back and am very excited about the learning that will be happening this term.
Mrs P x

LEARNING: OUR FOCUS IN EACH AREA FOR THIS TERM IS:

AS MATHEMATICIANS:

This term children will become more familiar with strategies for adding, such as counting on, using a number line etc. Year 1 children will be adding numbers within 20 and Reception will be adding within 10.

We will then move on to think about place value within 50 for Year 1 and up to 20 for receptions.

Later in the term, we will be concentrating on measuring.

AS READERS & WRITERS:

Phonics remains a huge part of reading and writing for both Year 1 and Reception. It is the foundation for all that we do.

In writing, in Year 1 we write for two main purposes to entertain or to inform. This term we are writing to entertain. For the first half of the term, children will write alternative fairy tales and for the second, we will look at poetry in all its forms.

AS RELIGIOUS LEARNERS:

Our RE will focus around the importance of prayer for people of faith.

We will also look at what celebrations are special across Christianity and Sikhism.

Foundation Subjects:

Where possible, we encourage children to follow their own learning in COOL (choose our own learning) time, we have many areas of provision designed to encourage children's engagement in learning. However, we will also have WARM tasks, which all children must complete, these will be both inside and out, so please ensure your child is dressed for the weather.

We have a new area of learning within the class, first is a colour mixing station. Where children will be encouraged to really think about the colours they want for their paintings and how they can achieve it, using just five colours (red, yellow, blue, white & black).

I have also taken steps to safeguard our crafting supplies (and your fridges!), children have been making little purses, every day I will give them an amount of money in their purses, with which they can buy supplies. For example, beads to make a bracelet may cost 2p. This will have the dual benefit of ensuring that children know the value of the items they are using and they will become very familiar with the money they are using.

FOR OUR MENTAL WELLBEING:

In PSHE we will be talking about relationships and how we can manage difficult times.

We will be considering ways to relax and how to spot the signs that we are stressed.